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DATE:

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TO:

All Local Health Departments

Attn: Chief Food Specialist

FROM:

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SUBJECT:

Fineland Corp -Allergen Alert

Suggested Action: CLASS Unidentified; Undeclared Sulfites in Mong Lee Shang Brand Dry Bamboo Shoots; Recommend notification to establishments that may carry these products via phone, fax or e-mail.

From the information provided by FDA, the product being recalled was distributed in the State of Indiana. Mong Lee Shang Brand Dry Bamboo Shoots is sold in an un-coded, 6 ounce, clear plastic package and was distributed nationwide. It is a product of Taiwan. Detail information is not available at this time. Please notify this office at 317-233-7360 if any recalled product is found.

## Fineland Corp Issues Alert on Undeclared Sulfites in Mong Lee Shang Brand Dry Bamboo Shoots

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**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE** -- April 8, 2009 -- Fine Land Corp of 239 Bay 20th Street, Brooklyn, NY 11214, is recalling **Mong Lee Shang Brand Dry Bamboo Shoots** because it contains undeclared sulfites. Consumers who have severe sensitivity to sulfites run the risk of serious or life-threatening allergic reactions if they consume this product.

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The recall was initiated after routine sampling by New York State Department of Agriculture and Markets Food Inspectors and subsequent analysis by Food Laboratory personnel revealed the presence of sulfites in **Mong Lee Shang Brand Dry Bamboo Shoots** which were not declared on the label. The consumption of 10 milligrams of sulfites per serving has been reported to elicit severe reactions in some asthmatics. Anaphylactic shock could occur in certain sulfite sensitive individuals upon ingesting 10 milligrams or more of sulfites.

No illnesses or allergic reactions involving this product has been reported to date. Consumers who have purchased **Mong Lee Shang Brand Dry Bamboo Shoots** are urged to return it to the place of purchase for a full refund. Consumers with questions may contact the company at 718-714-1850.



Photo: Product Label

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